Photo by Todd Berenger

Busting the boredom of deployed military

The San Mateo location of Blockbuster Video donated over 60 DVDs and the Blockbuster corporate office added 40 DVDs for the Kirtland AFB Chapel to send overseas. The DVDs were sorted and packed along with other items collected at the Chapel. Sorting the DVDs are, left to right, Staff Sgt. Richard Watson, Chap., Capt., John Von Almen, Chap., Staff Sgt. David Westfelt, Capt., Amy Hunt and Chap., Capt., Greg Woodbury, all of the chapel.

Vet council collecting to buy Mauldin sculpture



Courtesy photo

BY 2ND LT. KELLEY D. FINCHER

377th Air Base Wing Public Affairs The United Veterans Council has launched a drive to raise \$27,000 to purchase Bill Mauldin's bronze sculpture of his famous cartoon "Cavalry Sergeant."

The sculpture depicts the sergeant reluctantly shootng his broken-down Jeep like one would put down a fatally injured animal. The cartoon first ran in Stars & Stripes newspaper, read by World War II soldiers in Europe.

Mauldin began drawing cartoons in 1940 while serving in the Army as a rifleman. His drawings captured portrayals of G.I.s in humorous situations and were often morale boosters during the war. Tom Brokaw praised Mauldin in his best seller, The Greatest Generation.

The sculpture will be displayed in the Visitor's Center and Museum at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial Park outside the Gibson gate.

Mauldin grew up on a farm near Mountain Park, Otero County, New Mexico. In 1945 Mauldin won his first Pulitzer Prize for a cartoon series, "Up Front with Mauldin." His second Pulitzer came while working for the St. Louis Dispatch in 1959 when he drew a cartoon depicting Soviet Boris Pasternak in the Gulag asking another prisoner, "I won the Nobel Prize for literature. What was your crime?"

During his lifetime, Mauldin produced 16 books and over 18,000 cartoons. He died in January of Alzheimer's disease.

The United Veterans Council is a coalition of 60 veteran organizations in New Mexico.

Donation checks should be written out to UVC-Mauldin Fund and mailed to: United Veterans Council, P.O. Box 8034, Albuquerque, NM 87198.

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITIONS

Know the condition, be aware of your surroundings

BY 2ND LT. MICHELLE ESTEP

377th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Each day thousands of us enter the gates of Kirtland AFB to help support the Air Force mission through our specific jobs. However, many of us don't realize that we have another constant responsibility; abiding by the current Force Protection Condition on base.

According to Col. Steven Bower, 377th Air Base Wing vice commander, "It's everyone's job to be aware of their surroundings and be alert to things that are out of the ordinary People should also know who to report those circumstances to so that the proper authorities can respond to determine if we have a real threat to any of our resources here at Kirtland

"Force Protection Conditions serve many purposes. Two of the most important are to provide us common ground in the protection of our resources and ultimately provide for our collective safety and security," said Lt. Col. Keith D. Harris, 377th Security Forces Squadron commander.

Due to the war in Iraq, it is possible for the local threat level to change at any moment and the employees and residents on Kirtland AFB should be prepared for that to happen. The force protection conditions listed below are progres-

sive levels of terrorist threats to U.S. military facilities and FPCON NORMAL exists when a general threat of possible

terrorist activity exists but warrants only a routine security

FPCON ALPHA applies when there is general threat of possible terrorist activity against personnel and facilities, the nature and extent of which are unpredictable, and circum-

TERRORIST ALERT

WE ARE NOW IN

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITION NORMAL

THIS CONDITION APPLIES WHEN A GENERAL THREAT OF POSSIBLE TERRORIST ACTIVITY EXISTS, BUT WARRANTS ONLY A ROUTINE SECURITY POSTURE.

BE CAUTIOUS AND MAINTAIN AWARENESS

REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY TO SECURITY FORCES 846-7913 OR 846-7926

> EMERGENCY TELEPHONE 9-1-1 CELL PHONE 853-9111

TERRORIST ALERT

WE ARE NOW IN

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITION CHARLIE

THIS CONDUITION IS DECLARED WHEN AN INCIDENT OCCURS OR WHEN INTELLIGENCE IS RECEIVED THAT INDICATES INMINENT TERRORIST ACTION AGAINST PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES IS IMMINENT.

BE CAUTIOUS AND MAINTAIN AWARENESS

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stances to do not justify full implementation of FPCON BRAVO FPCON CHARLIE applies when an incident occurs or intellimeasures. However, it may be necessary to implement certain measures from higher FPCONs resulting from intelligence received or as a deterrent.

* At regular intervals, remind all personnel and dependents to be suspicious and inquisitive about strangers, particularly those carrying suitcases or other containers. Watch for unidentified vehicles on or in the vicinity of U.S. installa-

* The duty officer or personnel with access to building plans as well as the plans for area evacuations must be available at all times. Key personnel should be able to seal off an area immediately. Key personnel required to implement se-

* Secure buildings, rooms, and storage areas not in regu-

★ Increase security spot checks of vehicles and persons entering the installation

FPCON BRAVO applies when an increased and more predictable threat of terrorist activity exists. The measures in this FPCON must be capable of being maintained for weeks without causing undue hardship, affecting operational capability, and aggravating relations with local authorities.

★ Maintain FPCON ALPHA measures

* Move cars and objects at least 25 meters from buildings; consider centralized parking

* Check identification of all deliveries and entrance

★ Increase surveillance of base housing, schools, clubs and parks ★ Lock vehicles, check them before entering or exiting

rorist attack has occurred or when intelligence has been received that terrorist action against a specific person or instalcurity plans should be on-call and readily available lation is likely. Normally, this FPCON is declared as a localized condition.

> * Continue all measures listed for FPCONs BRAVO and CHARLIE * Search all vehicles and their contents before allowing

> gence is received indicating some form of terrorist action

 \bigstar Erect barriers and obstacles to control traffic flow

FPCON DELTA applies in the immediate area where a ter-

* Initiate 100 percent identification checks and random

* Secure non-essential rooms and buildings by locking

★ Continue all measures listed in FPCON BRAVO

* Limit access points to absolute minimum

against personnel and facilities is imminent.

entrance to installation

★ Control access and implement positive identification of all personnel—no exceptions

* Re-call essential personnel only

★ Minimize movement

doors and closing blinds

★ If told to shelter-in-place, immediately go inside, close all doors, windows, vents and heating or cooling systems. Take co-workers or family members to a safe room and wait for further instruction.

For more information please log on to www.kirtland.af.mil to download the Anti-Terrorism pamphlet or view " You Could Be a Target" on Commander's Access Channel 95.

TERRORIST ALERT

WE ARE NOW IN

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITION ALPHA

HIS IS A GENERAL THREAT OF POSSIBLE TERRORIST ACTIVITY AGAINST PERSONNEL AND ACTLITIES, THE NATURE AND EXTENT ARE UNFREDICTABLE. CIRCUMSTANCES DO NOT ISTIFY FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF PORCE PROTECTION CONDITION BRAVO MEASURES, UT CERTAIN MEASURES FROM HIGHER CONDITIONS MAY BE NECESSARY BASED ON HTELLIGENCE REPORTS OR AS A DETERRENT.

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TERRORIST ALERT

FORCE PROTECTION CONDITION

DELTA

THIS CONDITION IS DECLARED WHEN A TERRORIST ATTACK HAS OCCURRED OR INTELLIGENCE INDICATES THAT TERRORIST ACTION AGAINST A SPECIFIC LOCATION OR.

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